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ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

## NOTIFICATIONS

The 29th March, 2022

No. LLE.35/2022/129.- The following Bills were introduced in the House on **29<sup>th</sup> March, 2022** along with the Statement of Objects and Reasons are to be published under Rule 71 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly for General information.

## THE ASSAM CONSOLIDATION OF HOLDINGS (REPEALING) BILL, 2022

### A

### BILL

to repeal the Assam Consolidation of Holdings Act, 1960.

#### Preamble

Whereas it is expedient to repeal the Assam Consolidation of Holdings Act, 1960;

Assam Act  
No.XIX of  
1961

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India, as follows :-

#### Short title, extent and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Consolidation of Holdings (Repealing) Act, 2022.
- (2) It extends to the whole of Assam.
- (3) It shall come into force at once.

#### Repeal and savings

2. (1) The Assam Consolidation of Holdings Act, 1960. is hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal of the Act as mentioned in sub-section (1) above, anything done or action taken or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued or incurred or any remedy or proceeding in respect of any such right, title, obligation or liability or penalty, claim or demand etc. already enforced under the Act, so repealed, before the date of commencement of this repealing Act, shall be deemed to have been validly done or taken under the repealed Act.

Assam Act  
No.XIX  
of 1961

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

1. To improve 'Ease of Living' and 'Ease of Doing Business', the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DPIIT) has decided to reduce the regulatory compliance burden on Citizens and businesses and in this process, it has identified certain Acts/Rules which can be either be repealed or simplified. In order to achieve this objective, certain enactments which have become obsolete are required to be repealed.
2. The Assam Consolidation of Holdings Act, 1960 was enacted to provide for consolidation and prevention of fragmentation of agricultural holdings for better cultivation.
3. The extent of the Act covered the Districts of Lakhimpur, Sibsagar, Nowgong, Darrang, Kamrup, Goalpara and Cachar.
4. But, lack of response of the land owners for consolidation of holdings by way of exchange or owners not voluntarily agreeing to consolidation has made implementation of the Act ineffective.
5. The experiment started with the Act in Kamrup District in the early 90s did not yield any outcome. The Act has since been kept in abeyance. In view of this, the Act needs to be repealed and hence, it is proposed to repeal the Act.
6. The Department, therefore, came up with a proposal seeking approval of the Cabinet for placing The Assam Consolidation of Holdings (Repealing) Bill, 2022 in the upcoming Budget Session of Assam Legislative Assembly to repeal the Act.
7. The Cabinet in its meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022 approved the proposal as proposed by the Department.

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**FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM**

There is no extra financial involvement for implementation of the Bill.

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**MEMORANDUM OF DELEGATED LEGISLATION**

There is no delegation of legislative proposed in the Bill.

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## THE ASSAM FAMINE RELIEF AND INSURANCE FUND (REPEALING) BILL, 2022

### A

### BILL

to repeal the Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund Act, 1948.

#### Preamble

Whereas it is expedient to repeal the Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund Act, 1948.;

Assam Act  
No. XXVIII  
of 1948

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India, as follows :-

#### Short title, extent and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund (Repealing) Act, 2022.
- (2) It extends to the whole of Assam.
- (3) It shall come into force at once.

#### Repeal and savings

2. (1) The Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund Act, 1948. is hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal of the Act as mentioned in sub-section (1) above, anything done or action taken or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued or incurred or any remedy or proceeding in respect of any such right, title, obligation or liability or penalty, claim or demand etc. already enforced under the Act, so repealed, before the date of commencement of this repealing Act, shall be deemed to have been validly done or taken under the repealed Act.

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2. The Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund Act, 1948 was enacted to provide for the establishment and maintenance in the Province of Assam of a fund for expenditure upon relief of, and insurance against, distress caused by serious drought, flood, earthquake, fire, cyclone and other natural calamities in the said province.
3. The Act had provided for establishing a fund called "Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund" consisting of: -
  - i. the contribution by the Provincial Government;
  - ii. any contribution by the Government of India;
  - iii. such other sums as the provincial Government may transfer from the unspent balance of the budget provision of any year;
  - iv. donations, if any, by the public or by any institution or association for the purpose.
4. The Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund Act, 1948 has become obsolete in the present context as relief and rehabilitation, which is provided to the affected people due to flood, drought, cyclone, fire, storm, lightning and other natural calamities comes under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF), which consists of 90% Central Share and 10% State Share.

Ex-gratia which is a lump sum amount is provided to the Next of Kin (NOK) of a person killed in natural calamities under SDRF as well as from PM's Relief Fund.

Gratuitous Relief (GR) i.e. relief materials like Rice, Salt, Dal, M. Oil, Drinking Water, sanitation facilities etc. is provided to the affected persons during natural calamities under SDRF.

Ex-gratia to the victims of man-made disaster is provided from the State's fund.
5. In view of the above, the Act needs to be repealed and hence, it is proposed to repeal the Act.
6. The Department, therefore, came up with a proposal seeking approval of the Cabinet for placing The Assam Famine Relief and Insurance Fund (Repealing) Bill, 2022 in the upcoming Budget Session of Assam Legislative Assembly to repeal the Act.
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